

WILSON CHEERS RAILROAD HEADS

Wall Street Hears Rate Increase Hearing Will Be Resumed.

PRESIDENT SAID TO FAVOR SOME RELIEF

Railway Executives at White House Tell Need of Increase in Revenues.

(From The Tribune Bureau.)
Washington, Sept. 9.—President Wilson gave assurance to six railroad presidents today that he would do everything within the bounds of consistency to aid in rendering the relief which the officials pointed out, is necessary to increase the revenue of the roads and restore public confidence in them to the end that credit will not be menaced.

The railroad heads were principally concerned in raising revenue to meet heavy operating costs and urged the President to make all reasonable effort to that end. They told the President they believed that freight and passenger rates should be increased to avert depression and the crippling of commercial and industrial interests.

After the conference, which lasted about an hour, the railroad officials expressed themselves as pleased with their reception.

Railway Heads Hopeful.

They were hopeful that the President, through a public letter or otherwise, might show that he believed the railroads should be relieved of their burdens. They believed that they had laid the groundwork for consideration of specific requests to be made later. These requests were understood to include a postponement of the rate increase hearing until the fall, pending in Congress, legislation allowing the Interstate Commerce Commission to take general conditions into consideration in passing on the rate increase.

After the conference, the railroad executives met with the members of the Interstate Commerce Commission. A copy of an address presented to the President was laid before the commissioners and the general railroad situation was changed by events since the outbreak of the European war, was explained.

Wall Street Encouraged.

Wall street heard yesterday that, following the conference of the railroad executives with the President, the Interstate Commerce Commission would order a resumption of the hearings on rate increases and that for the first time in many months the prospect for a substantial increase was exceedingly bright.

How much of an increase will be granted or whether it will become effective is entirely a matter of speculation, but with the reversal of positions by many of the more rabid anti-railroad men and the certainty that large shippers who in the past have been advocating relief to transportation interests when the hearings are resumed, it is felt that the commission will be compelled by mere force of public opinion to make more liberal allowances.

It is stated that such Senators as Cummins of Iowa, who has been in the front rank of those opposing any increase in rates, have been in the anti-railroad legislation, are now in favor of giving the railroads higher compensation for their services.

The explanation of this reversal of front is that the men who in Congress have been so prominent in their opposition to the railroads "have heard from home." The influence of the President has also had its effect. He has let it be understood that he took the proper procedure would have his entire support, and it is understood that the conference of yesterday was held at his request after he had thoroughly canvassed the situation with persons familiar with the situation in whom he had every confidence. These showed conclusively that the railroads of the country were facing the most serious crisis in their history.

Secretary McAdoo and members of the Federal Reserve Board take the ground that an increase in rates is justifiable and necessary.

MILLION DOLLARS IN GRAIN BILLS

Exchange Rates Go Up, However, on Delayed Buying—Cotton Bills Still Scarce.

One million dollars' worth of bills against grain, it was estimated by bankers, changed hands yesterday in the foreign exchange market. A good many of these were absorbed privately by banks with large foreign debts to pay, but a large proportion went through the regular public channels. Notwithstanding the increased supply of exchange against grain, exporters, however, rates advanced to 4.9875 for demand and 4.925 for cables. There was a fair amount of business in franc cables at 6.05 for the dollar. Cheques were quoted at a nominal figure of 8.00.

The advance in exchange rates in the face of the increased offering of grain bills was ascribed by dealers largely to the demand for credits on London that the market was unable to supply until sterling checks should decline below 5.00 before making purchases of exchange. This demand was supplemented by buying by some of the banks preparing to furnish exchange against their quota of new city notes.

Cotton bills in quantity have yet to make their appearance. Cotton, as one dealer expressed it, has been "dribbling" out in small quantities. Only because of the difficulties of satisfactorily financing exports. The banks are refusing to buy bills unless they are drawn against confirmed credits. International bankers and others interested in the payment of American debts to Europe were not disposed yesterday to pin too high hopes to the proposal made by a bankers' committee to the Federal Reserve Board to form a cash pool of \$100,000,000, plainly asserting their disbelief that banks in districts other than that of New York would readily part with gold to help what they considered not even New York City banks. The needs of some speculators in foreign exchange who had got caught by the war. They admitted, however, the contention of the plan's champions, that if a fairly large amount of gold was accumulated, the psychological effect of the intention to pay gold for foreign debts would probably be to cut down materially the amount theoretically necessary to ship.

RAILROAD OUTLOOK POOR

Judge Lovett Says European War Affects Conditions.

Judge Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific Railroad, who returned yesterday from an inspection of the West has harvested large crops there, a feeling of apprehension among all classes regarding the effect of the European war on the business situation.

"People in the West," Judge Lovett added, "are slow about making decisions, fearing the European war will have an unfavorable effect on conditions throughout the United States. They are not spending money as freely as might be expected in the face of large crops."

Judge Lovett said that there had been a big drop in passenger traffic and in shipments of merchandise and various miscellaneous products and that the outlook for railroad earnings was poor.

MORGAN TO SEE BANKERS

Conference Will Be Held in Washington To-day.

J. P. Morgan left the city for Washington yesterday afternoon for a conference with the Federal Reserve Board and members of the Morgan committee, which was appointed at the meeting of bankers at the Treasury Department Friday. The proposed formation of a gold fund of \$100,000,000 to relieve the international exchange situation will be discussed.

Benjamin Strong, Jr., president of the Bankers Trust Company, of this city, is a member of the Morgan committee, which was headed by J. P. Morgan, of Chicago, is the chairman.

BUTCHERS FEAR "TRUST," HE SAYS

Retailer Avers Packers Control Prices—Cites Advance in Liver.

Jacob Bloch, a retail butcher, arraigned the packers yesterday in a food inquiry conducted by William A. De Ford, Assistant District Attorney, before Magistrate McAdoo. The packers have absolute control of meat prices in New York, he said, and if prices were free, the packers would be ruined. "They're a bunch of crooks," he said, "and they're not a bunch of crooks in New York City," he said, "who couldn't tell the same story that I do if he dared. But if he did his credit would be cut, and he would find it difficult to run the butcher business in New York."

The price of beef liver—a meat much used by the economical and in constant demand—showed as well as anything else, the effect of the packers' control. Before the packing business had reached a high stage of organization a butcher could get beef livers for about 25 cents apiece. Now they cost \$1.25 a piece, and that could be had were it not for cold storage, he said, and at times the packers asserted they had no beef livers.

"At those very times," said Mr. Bloch, "I have visited their storage plants, picking out my meat and seen boxes and barrels of beef livers." When one packed denied possession of beef livers all did, said Mr. Bloch, just as when one raised the price on any kind of meat there was no one who had that grade to be found anywhere at a lower price. Pork loins might change in price three times in a day, he said, but every fluctuation was followed by every packer.

"For twenty-five years," said the witness, "I have been in the meat business. I have attended conventions and trade meetings in various parts of the country. In the smallest towns the packers have just as efficient an organization as in New York. If the town proves too small for two concerns, one packer peacefully leaves the field to the other."

Not content with controlling the supply, the packers had entered the retail business, said Mr. Bloch. Practically the whole of the hotel, restaurant and steamship trade, as well as that of many large boarding houses and hospitals, was handled by firms which, in fact, merely sales agencies for the packers, he said.

Mr. Bloch had the following suggestions to make for cheaper and better meat: An export duty on all meat, the revenue to be used for the benefit of the packers; no female calves to be killed for a period of from three to five years, no calves of less than 150 pounds to be killed, the appropriation of 10 per cent of the income tax to open lands for grazing, packers to sell only to retailers, government slaughter houses.

Regarding the last suggestion Mr. Bloch asserted that 90 per cent of the meat bought by the government for army, navy and other uses was purchased from the "trust."

SALESWOMAN IS LOST

Police Seek Miss Shea, Missing Since Monday.

The police are seeking Marion Shea, twenty years old, a saleswoman, of 370 East 138th st., who was reported missing last night at the Bronx detective division.

George P. Arbogast, of 918 Morrison av., a brother-in-law of the missing woman, said Miss Shea had been employed by Best & Co., of 3th av. and 38th st., and that she had remained at home until 8:30 o'clock last night, when she said she was going out.

She wore pink dress, green coat, black stockings and pumps, and a black hat with black plumes. That was the last seen of her by her widowed mother and sister, with whom she lived.

HUSSEY BACK ON JOB TWO MINUTES

Inspector Reinstated, but Again Suspended—Allowed \$4,340 Back Pay.

James E. Hussey, once a police inspector, but drawing a pension, when he was suspended and convicted more than a year ago of conspiring with three other officers—Thompson, Murtha and Sweeney—to keep a much wanted graft witness out of New York, was reinstated yesterday for two minutes.

His reinstatement followed the Appellate Division's decision, which reversed the conviction in his case yesterday. It carries with it back pay for the entire period of suspension, amounting to \$4,340.

These two golden moments over, the case was again suspended on grounds of having accepted money for permission to run illegal resorts. An investigation, started three weeks ago when Hussey filed his petition for reinstatement, revealed that two men had testified in the conspiracy trial that they paid him money.

PHYSICIAN'S CAR, WHICH KILLED PATROLMAN, HITS FREIGHT ENGINE.

John H. Wood and Wife AND DRIVER VICTIMS

John H. Ryan, Badly Hurt, Will Recover—Couple Found Locked in Embrace.

Ocean City, N. J., Sept. 9.—Dr. Matthew S. Borden, of New York, whose life had been unusually full of exciting events and episodes, died yesterday of a Reading Railroad freight train to-day at Palermo, N. Y., and his wife and child were killed.

With him in death were Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Wood, of New York, and the chauffeur, Leo Guldreid. Nicholas Ryan, general agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Society, at 140 Broadway, was unconscious for hours, but it is believed he will recover.

The party was on the way from Lakewood to Atlantic City when the accident occurred. The road over which the machine travelled is an excellent one for fast time, and Dr. Borden, who had a reputation for speed, could not resist temptation. As the train was running on Long Island, under a dense fog, the victim died later from his injuries.

Train and automobile approached the crossing at full speed and apparently neither slackened pace. The automobile crashed into the locomotive in front of the driving wheels and was wrecked. Wood, who evidently had seen impending disaster, had thrown his arms about his young wife. They were picked up dead by the husband's platform, locked in each other's embrace. The chauffeur was thrown about twenty feet. Ryan was lying limp near the Woods.

The day Dr. Borden's automobile mortally injured Mounted Patrolman John Mea he received news that he would get none of the estate of his millionaire mill owner father, J. C. D. Borden, who died two years ago, so long as he remained the husband of Mildred Negbauer, to whom he was twice married.

When Borden was in Yale as a member of the class of '95, back in 1892, he secretly married the daughter of a New Haven tailor. When the truth came out his father made such a protest that the couple agreed to separate, and the bride went West and got a divorce. Later, when Borden established himself, Borden remarried her, thereby forfeiting just \$25,000.

The couple had lived at the Krenstadt, Riverside Drive and West 74th st., for four years. They had been away for a year, and when Borden returned, he had expected them back within a few days.

J. Harvey Wood was a bond salesman in the employ of Spitzer, Roick & Co., 5 Nassau st., at five at 6th West 14th st. He and the young wife who was killed with him were married in July, 1910. She was Miss Modjeska Clarke, of Brooklyn. They were married in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church.

WANTS U. S. FLAG FOR STEEL FLEET

Corporation Seeks American Registry for Ten Ships—To Use Canal.

The United States Steel Corporation made application for American registry yesterday for ten ships which hitherto have sailed under the British flag. They are the Bantu, the Santa Rosalia, the San Francisco, the Kentra and the Ventura, of the Ishman Steamship Company, which is controlled by the Steel Products Company, and the Granger Hall, the Crofton Hall and the Fenton Hall, of the New York and South American Steamship Company, the nominal owner of this line is Charles S. Dunn, of Liverpool.

All these ships have been used for the South American trade of the Steel Corporation. At the office of the company yesterday it was learned that the corporation intended to ask for American registry for many more ships.

As soon as the applications are granted, the Bantu, loaded with American steel products, will sail for Buenos Ayres, to be followed by the Crofton Hall, loaded with steel products for Chili and Peru. The latter ship will go through the canal.

Albany, Sept. 9.—Twenty-five steamship transportation companies, each bearing the name of one of the United Fruit Company's vessels, which recently came under United States registry, were incorporated yesterday by the Secretary of State. According to the papers each corporation has a capital stock of no par value and is to begin business with \$1,000.

TO HOLD COURT MARTIAL

N. Y. N. G. Men To Be Tried for "Unsolderly Conduct."

What promises to be an important court martial in the New York National Guard has been ordered to convene at the headquarters of the 2d Brigade of Brooklyn Tuesday night for the trial of enlisted men of the 47th Infantry.

The men are charged with "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline," and the court to try them will consist of the following officers:

Colonel Charles L. De Boevisse, 1st Cavalry; Major Reginald L. Foster, 12th Infantry; Captain Thomas J. Dooley, 10th Infantry; Captain Henry Sheldon, Squadron A; Captain Walter P. Ford, 2d Field Artillery, and Major Almer R. Latson, 2d Brigade, judge advocate.

The trouble grew out of a recent Sunday visit of a detachment of the regiment to Grasmere, Staten Island, under command of Captain George M. Teats, of Company M. While waiting for a train, members of the company, it is alleged, behaved in an unsolderly manner in the presence of the captain.

They were accused of firing blank cartridges from the platform of the station and from the car windows and of using insulting language to young women.

Arthur Tourbillon, of 106 West 47th st., arrested on the charge of Dorothy Dale, an actress, of 220 West 49th st., who said he assaulted and robbed her, was discharged yesterday by Magistrate Nolan, in the West Side court, when Miss Dale refused to press a complaint. The prisoner sent word to her when locked up to obtain a bondsman for him.

MAIN SKIRTS ON CARMAN LAWN

New Witness for Accused Tells of Disguised Stranger.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY SEEKS REINDICTMENT

Nurse Doctor's Wife Admits Attacking in Office Will Appear Against Her.

Interest in the Carman-Bailey murder case at Freeport, L. I., was revived yesterday by the activities of District Attorney Lewis J. Smith before the Nassau County Grand Jury. Mr. Smith declared that several new witnesses were examined whose testimony would substantially assist the prosecution in its effort to obtain an indictment for murder in the higher degree against Mrs. Florence A. Carman.

Mrs. Carman is now out on \$20,000 bail on an indictment for manslaughter in the first degree on the charge of having shot Mrs. Lulu Bailey, who was the defendant's husband, in Freeport July 30. District Attorney Smith expects to go before Justice Kelly, in the Supreme Court at Mineola, to-day to ask for a new indictment.

There was a report at Mineola yesterday that the District Attorney had found the revolver with which Mrs. Carman was charged. It was later discredited. The witnesses before the grand jury yesterday included Mrs. Elizabeth Varrance, the nurse who was alleged to have been spied upon by Mrs. Carman, and the husband's office. He did not appear before the grand jury that indicted Mrs. Carman.

Mrs. Edith Larkin, of 15 Thorne av., Hempstead, a friend and neighbor of Mrs. Bailey, was examined in regard to her knowledge of any acquaintance with Mrs. Bailey and Dr. Carman. Dr. Carman and Walter Corzans, the first policeman to reach the Carman house after the shooting, also were witnesses.

George M. Levy, counsel for Mrs. Carman, gave out an affidavit yesterday made by John G. Haberle, of Atlantic City, who said he had seen the Carman woman in a woman's clothes on the Carman lawn the evening of June 1, a month before the shooting. Haberle is a member and salesman of the Haywire Tire Company, of 100 Fifth av., this city. The affidavit is dated at Freeport on August 4 and is acknowledged before Mary E. Southard, a notary public of that town.

According to the affidavit, Haberle called upon Dr. Carman on the evening of June 1 and sold him a bill of drugs. As he left the house he met a woman, came across the lawn and asked him if the doctor was in. He told her the doctor was in and that he would call on her. She followed him and he walked toward the street he turned back and watched the woman. Instead of going to the doctor's office she went around the house toward the window in the office through which the fatal shot is supposed to have been fired.

Haberle started back, he swore, and met the woman again in front of the house. He directed her to the door which led to the doctor's office, but she said to him: "Never mind; it's too late, she has been in bed." He went with her, where she entered an automobile standing in front of the house of Dr. Fletcher. As she got into the car he raised her skirt, exposing her legs, he said, and revealing a dark waist and black hat. He noticed that she had large feet, a gruff voice and heavy features.

Haberle said that he took the train for New York and forgot about the incident until he read of the shooting. He swore that he told District Attorney Smith of the incident at the request before he had seen Dr. Carman again. He said he had seen Dr. Carman in June, he said, and that he had seen him for about a year and sold him drugs during that time.

OSBORN TO QUIT CHAIRMANSHIP

Democratic Leader, It Is Said, Feels He's Ignored in Federal Patronage.

William Church Osborn has decided to retire as chairman of the Democratic State Committee. He announced yesterday that under circumstances to be followed by the committee, he would be a candidate to succeed himself as chairman of the new committee to be elected at the primaries September 28.

It was reported that the reason why Mr. Osborn announced his retirement from the committee was because word had been received that James W. Gerard would refuse to run for the United States Senate. Believed to be true, it was stated that Mr. Osborn's resignation had been suggested by the fact that he was going to sever his active connection with the organization.

When Mr. Osborn, who had long been prominent as an independent Democrat, was chosen head of the state committee in March to succeed George M. Palmer, it was with the understanding that he would have the support of the Wilson administration. It is known that Mr. Osborn has been bitterly disappointed in this.

Repeatedly he has been ignored in the matter of patronage. He has been in and out of a few cases his recommendations have been spurned. Mr. Osborn, it is understood, contributed as much as \$50,000 to aid in the election of President Wilson, and he has been one of the President's most ardent supporters.

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BOUCK WHITE IN FIELD

Pastor, in Cell, Files Petition as Candidate for Congress.

From his political headquarters in the Queens County Jail, Bouck White yesterday sent out notices to his friends that he is now a full-fledged independent candidate for Congress in the 13th District in Manhattan, a sufficient number of signatures having been obtained by his attorneys, Solomon Fieldman, who has filed the petition with the Bureau of Elections.

White is serving a sentence of six months for his participation in the entry of the Calvary Baptist Church some time ago. His term will not end until November 12, so that personally he will not be active in the campaign.

SMITH GETS DELAY

Commissioner Reserves Decision in Queens Case.

Commissioner Henry J. Higham, designated by Governor Glynn to hear the charges of neglect of duty filed against District Attorney Matthew J. Smith, of Queens County, spent all of yesterday listening to arguments on the motion to dismiss the charges made by Henry M. Goldfogel, Smith's attorney.

The charges grew out of Smith's failure to prosecute James Heffernan and Harry Scanlon, accused of attacking Mrs. Clara Elliott, sixteen years old, in the Democratic Club of Long Island City. Heffernan later was convicted by Deputy District Attorney William A. McQuaid, while the jury in the Scanlon case disagreed.

The arguments yesterday revolved around the point brought up by counsel for the defense, that the District Attorney was entitled to use his discretion in regard to bringing any prisoner to trial. It was conceded by both sides that Commissioner Higham had the authority to dismiss the charges. If he saw fit after hearing argument.

Commissioner Higham reserved decision, and the hearing was adjourned to Thursday. If the motion to dismiss is denied, the District Attorney will have to defend himself against removal.

MARKET TRADING PROFITS FARMER

Produce Fairs Find Favor Equally with Grower and Consumer.

With the season for summer vegetables drawing to a close, farmers in increasing numbers are coming to the new open markets to dispose of their produce. A larger proportion of them are selling at retail than heretofore. If this continues, the middleman will be eliminated from the open markets.

Already the dealers about the Manhattan Bridge market have begun to view the farmers with hostility. It is only there that they can oppose the farmer successfully, for the East Side still prefers the pushcart vender to the long line dealer.

The support of Governor Hughes for the United States Senate, said Representative Calder yesterday on his return from a short trip upstate. He spent the day in conference with New York county leaders at his headquarters. To-day he will speak at the Dutchess County Fair in Poughkeepsie.

James W. Wadsworth, Jr., also a candidate for the United States Senate, yesterday public his campaign committee. It includes Bronson Winthrop, chairman; Dean Sage, treasurer; John W. Hutchinson, chairman of the executive committee; Cornelius N. Bliss, John Henry Hammond, Beverly B. Robinson, James A. Francis, Marcus Brown, Ezra P. Prentice, Nicholas Murray Butler, Samuel W. Fairchild, Charles A. Dana, Courtlandt Nicoll, John W. Wadsworth, Jr., and Thomas Rock.

Speaking at the Dutchess county fair at Poughkeepsie, yesterday, Harvey D. Hinman, candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor, said that while the direct primary law was purposely drawn so as to make its operation expensive and unfair, nevertheless it did enable the voters to select their candidates for office.

Mr. Hinman then repeated what he had previously said about cutting out useless commissions and practicing economy and added:

I propose to see that the Public Service Commission and other like boards and bodies perform their duties, powers and functions, without interference by legislation passed for political effect or for further political ambition.

Put an end to the use or threatened use by any department or state official or employee of his position or power, unjustly or unfairly to harass any class of business or persons, or to create a political party or to secure political effect.

See to it that the laws of the state are enforced and enforced fearlessly and impartially.

Revoke the state highway law and department so as to put the department back on its own plane upon which it was conducted in 1910.

Revise and simplify the present crude and uneconomic and primary law, so as to reduce the present enormous expense thereof.

So revise the State Conservation Commission as to substantially reduce the expense thereof.

Ex-Speaker Joseph G. Cannon apparently has won the Republican nomination for Congressman from the 19th District.

For the Republican Senate nomination Senator Lawrence V. Sherman, who is seeking to be returned, apparently has a safe lead over William E. Mason, ex-United States Senator.

Hedges Headquarters Opened.

Brooklyn men favorable to the nomination of Job E. Hedges for Governor on the Republican ticket opened headquarters at the Imperial, Fulton st. and Red Hook Lane, in that borough, yesterday. Alderman Arnon L. Squiers is in charge.

Hotels and Restaurants.

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HINMAN DRAWS LEADERS TO BANNER

Manager Claims Support of 31 Counties for Upstate Man.

WHITMAN TO SPEAK TO-DAY IN DELHI

Wadsworth Names Campaign Committee—Calder Counts on Hughes Followers.

Ex-Senator Hinman's campaign manager, J. Calverly McKnight, in a statement contends that there are thirty-one counties in the state where the regular organization or a majority of the regular organization can be counted supporting Hinman. Mr. McKnight also gave out a list of Republicans throughout the state who, he maintained, have consented to become members of the campaign committee which is now being formed. The list of counties follows: